

Sporting Department

BASEBALL MAGNATES WILL PROLONG PLAYING SEASON

Major League Schedules Are Likely to Include Fourteen Additional Games Next Season—Players Will Not Be Told of This Change Until After They Have Signed.

St. Louis, Oct. 26.—Fourteen more games are likely to be added to the major league schedules. Jealousy over the size of the financial pie cut by the owners and players of the Detroit and Pittsburgh teams is the motive for this little plot hatched by certain National and American league magnates as a sidelight to the recent series for the world's championship.

The object is to increase the length of the playing season so that all may share in the money. The two clubs which win the pennants must take their chances regarding weather conditions. The maxima split in the closing days of the two races is responsible for this scheme. The magnates figure that even though there are only two or three clubs in each league which will have a chance for grabbing the pennants, that the weaker club will profit by playing with the teams which have a chance for the championship. The schedules will be arranged as far as possible to carry out this idea.

It is admitted that the clubs which win the pennant in their respective leagues will suffer somewhat financially, but they are expected to sink their individual advantage in a scheme which means additional profits for all clubs in both leagues. Last but by no means least, the players will not be in a position to grab the immense bonus which now goes to the teams competing in the world's championship series. That any more players should divide some \$6,000 bonus is gall and wormwood to the owners of the magnates. If the playing season is extended, the magnates believe that they will get the greater part of this money and even if the weather prevents a post-season series—why, only the players and the public are the real sufferers.

The scheme has been a-bubbling for several months, and while it is intended to let the moguls of the two leagues into the secret during the world's championship series, it was not planned that it should become public.

This was to be reserved for a surprise party after contracts had been signed for 1910.

Troublesome.

Some people will do almost anything to save trouble, while others are equally anxious to get rid of it.

JOHNNY KLING TO PROMOTE NEW CHICAGO CITY LEAGUE

Ground Will Be Broken Soon for Fine New Baseball Grounds in Chicago for American Association—No Immediate Invasion of the Windy City Is Planned.

Ground will soon be broken for a new steel and cement grand stand on the proposed American Association baseball site at Sheffield avenue and Addison street Chicago. The property was bought last spring in the name of Charles S. Havenor, owner of the Milwaukee American Association ball club. Mr. Havenor acted as agent in the transaction and, although being the majority owner, other association magnates were interested in the deal, among the rest being M. E. Cantillon of the Minneapolis club and his brother Joe, late manager of the Washington team.

Among those well posted on the affairs of the association magnates it was said yesterday that the occupancy of the grounds does not necessarily mean an immediate entrance of the growing league in Chicago society, although that is the ultimate object of the promoters.

The real plan back of the enterprise, it was said yesterday, was to bring Johnny Kling, the former Cub catcher, here from Kansas City to be at the head of a semi-pro team, in which the City League would be re-organized or else enlarged to eight clubs.

Johnny Kling as Head.

It is known that another plan, far more radical, has been under advisement for some time and that is to put Kling at the head of an American association club. It is figured that should the American Association come in here it would be as an outlaw organization and it has been argued that it might be just as well to have a baseball outlaw at the head of it. It is known that Kling is more than willing to put some of his spare money in the deal, although he could not get a majority of the stock.

It is, however, more likely that the new park will be the home of a semi-pro team next season, as a feeder, but the improvements contemplated will cost more than any local team will be able to shoulder. The stands will be of steel and concrete, with a concrete wall around the field. At present the unoccupied land will not make it as large as some other parks in the city, but it will be plenty big enough for the present. As soon as leases of different tenants expire, the field will be enlarged and as the location is one of the best in the city it might be a paying proposition from the start.

WHITEHEAD WANTS MANAGER.

Duluth Colored Scrapper Experiences Trouble When Aino.

Walter Whitehead is looking for a manager, according to the Duluth Herald. As yet no one has shown a very keen desire to take the affairs of the colored scrapper in charge. There are reasons, too.

Whitehead begged the man he has thrown down on numerous occasions to resume managerial relations with him, but the former manager refused. The negro has made a lot of money in Duluth. A manager who, by his ability and shrewdness, enabled Whitehead to get this easy money, was thrown down at the first opportunity. Now, Whitehead, realizing his mistake is begging to get his manager back again.

"Joe please take me back," was the plaint of Whitehead's wall last night. Whitehead is beginning to find that he knows so little of the fight game, that when a competent man leaves him, he is all at sea. It will be some time before easy money comes his way again.

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Two Strong Harvard Guards



WEST AT LEFT; DUNLAP AT RIGHT.

Cambridge, Mass., Oct. 26.—Will Percy Haughton do what no other coach has ever done and make Harvard winner over Yale two years in succession in football? Haughton coached a team last year that was able to just nose out the Blue by a score of 4 to 0, and followers of the game are asking themselves if he can repeat November 29. Whether he does or not, one of the greatest battles in the history of the game between Yale and Harvard is looked for. To date Harvard has not had a real test, such as the Blue received from West Point, but his team looks like a winner, although hardly coming up to the standard of last season. There are some big holes that must be filled in the Harvard line-up,

and plugging them will cause worry.

"West and Dunlap are assigned the guard places, and these two giants appear capable of holding down the positions and giving Anders and Goebel the Yale Giants, an awful battle when they clash in the annual game. Stowe, Fisher and Hodgson, all promising men, are being worked as understudies in these positions. P. Withington, one of the winning crew men of last spring, is at center, while Captain Pihm and L. Withington with McKay will look after the tackles.

Corbett is the same star quarterback as last year. With Haughton in charge and Fred Wily as chief assistant the prospects for Harvard are bright.

DULUTH FANS IMPATIENT OVER HOCKEY RINK DELAY

It is expected that a definite statement will be received from J. J. Desmond and those gentlemen interested in the organization of a stock company to construct a hockey rink here, some time this week, says the Duluth Herald.

Just what action will be taken, is a question that hockey enthusiasts are anxiously waiting to ascertain. Al Kuehnow has reiterated his offer to construct a modern and up-to-date rink on an uptown site, the building to be utilized for roller skating in the summer and early fall; for ice skating and general athletic events in the winter, and also for convention purposes.

According to the statement of Mr. Kuehnow, he will take up the construction of the proposed building shortly after Christmas, if it is found that the promoters of the proposed Park point proposition are not going ahead with their plans.

"The time is ripe for the construction of an enclosed rink and a building that can be utilized to stage athletic events of various kinds," said Mr. Kuehnow. "Such a building could be used for various purposes. It could be used for conventions and other large gatherings. It would make just the sort of building in which to stage such athletic events as Duluth is denied at the present time."

"I am ready to go ahead with the plans for the building, in case no action is taken in the other proposition. I will start work shortly on the building, and it will be ready for use next year."

BOBBY BYRNE GETS \$1,235.33.

St. Louis, Mo., October 26.—"Bobby" Byrne, the Pirates' little third baseman, received \$1,235.33 for his share in the world's series with the Tigers. "Jag" Barbeau and Alvin Storke, Cardinals who were secured from Pittsburgh for Byrne in the middle of August, also cut in. Shares which amounted to \$3,706 were divided among the three players. An after-season tip is out that "Hole" Ferris of the Browns is to go to the Washington Nationals in exchange for "Wild" Conroy.

MAY SIGN CONTRACT TODAY.

Jeffries Will Agree to Any Division of Purse That's Fair.

There is some prospect that the arrangements for the coming battle between James J. Jeffries and Jack Johnson for the heavyweight championship of the world, will be concluded today. Johnson and manager are expected to reach New York today, and that they will find the white man waiting may be guessed from the following statement recently given out in an interview.

"If Johnson was here this moment I'd put my name to paper and clinch the match, but that will be all fixed up in a few days. I will agree to let the winner take all, but as I think Johnson should be allowed to have something to cover expenses I'll agree to a division of the purse, 75 per cent to the winner and 25 per cent to the loser. "Any legitimate offer from a responsible club will look good to me, and I will bet \$10,000 on the side if Johnson wants it. I'll agree to any number of rounds, or will go to a finish. There will be no chance for a hitch if Johnson is on the square, for I intend to be fair and mean business."

More queries as to Jeffries' opinion of Johnson served to increase his apparent anger, until he made some remarks decidedly complimentary to the negro. Their several friends changed the subject.

INVESTIGATION COMPLETE.

President Ben Johnson of the American league admitted yesterday that he had investigated the charges of "signal

tippling" at the New York Highlanders' ball park during the past season through his own agents. He said he had studied carefully the claims made by Trainer Tuttle of the Detroit club, who charges that he caught an employee of the New York club in the act of stealing the signals of the Tiger catcher. Mr. Johnson would make no further statements regarding the affair, however, other than to say that the result of his investigation would be placed before the members of the American league at the next annual meeting.

SPLENDID Y. M. C. A. HOME.

Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 26.—The new home of the Kansas City Y. M. C. A. was dedicated today with an all-day program of exercises that included addresses by a number of noted speakers. The new building was erected at a cost of \$200,000 and is one of the finest and best equipped Y. M. C. A. buildings in the country.

RUSH OF '49 COMMEMORATED.

Stockton, Cal., Oct. 26.—A carnival to commemorate the sixtieth anniversary of the rush of the gold-seekers through Stockton in 1849 was opened in this city today. The program of festivities, which will last several days, provides for numerous interesting features, including an exact reproduction of one of the early mining camps.

NEW BASEBALL RULES.

Legislation Must Be Enacted to Meet Needs of the Game.

Now that the 1909 baseball season is a matter of history the managers and owners are turning their attention to new legislation that must be enacted. The principal discussion will be a general change in the government of umpires, it being claimed that a sport such as baseball, entirely in the hands of the umpire, should have competent men in that capacity.

A rule that may be suggested will be "date limit" for the strengthening of teams that have a chance to win the pennant. Much comment has been caused by the transferring of Players Delehanty and Jones to the Detroit team at the last moment in this year's American league windup.

Another subject for much consideration will be the making public of attendance figures. While some clubs exaggerate the number of people at a game others are satisfied to make public only about half the number in attendance, so that on many occasions it has been said that the figures given out by some clubs did not tally with the figures for which the visiting club was paid, thus making the so-called attendance figures worthless. The figures should be given out to the exact count or not made public at all.

The question of spikes will also come up for comment. The use of the present spike is the cause of much unnecessary injury to the players.

STAR KICKERS TIED.

There have been 23 field goals kicked in big collegiate battles this year. Of these Captain Alverdie of Michigan and Cunningham of Princeton have kicked four each, and Hauser of Carleton three.

RAISE A. A. SALARY LIMIT.

There is almost sure to be a change in the salary limit of the American association at the December meeting. President Joe O'Brien has discussed the matter with the league magnates and they agree that a change is necessary.

Columbus people are willing to pay \$4,500 for players a month. While Milwaukee and St. Paul will be the hardest to swing in line. The ousting of Joe O'Brien as president of the association appears to have fallen flat, since E. S. Ward decided definitely that he would not accept the position at any price.

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